



SIGURD ANDERSON
GOVERNOR

PIERRE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the greatness of America is rooted in the ideas, ideals, and desires of the pioneers; and

WHEREAS, the heritage of this Upper Missouri Valley was formed by pioneers from both the Rocky Mountains and the East to create this great Middle Border; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the citizens of South Dakota should be the leaders in honoring this source of our democratic ideals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sigurd Anderson, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim and establish the second Tuesday of the month of May as

MIDDLE BORDER PIONEER DAY

and request my fellow citizens to unite with the society of "Friends of the Middle Border" in giving special honor to our early settlers and pioneers through family gatherings, public meetings, and formal ceremonies that the richness of this heritage may prologue with understanding and devotion the growth of our lives and of our children.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 27th day of April, 1951.

Sigurd Anderson
Governor

Attest:

Geraldine Ostroot
Secretary of State

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